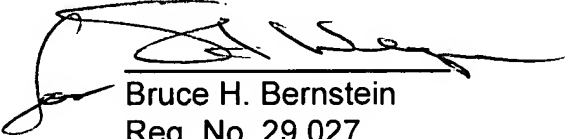


REMARKS

Entry of the present amendment to the specification is respectfully requested prior to the payment of the Issue Fee in order to correct an obvious typographic error in the filing date of the priority document. Applicants note that the correct date (e.g., November 18, 2002) is indicated on the Declaration and Power of Attorney document, and on the formal claim of priority, both of which were filed with the application on November 14, 2003.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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